

## **Kansas Medical Assistance**

Medical Coverage for Parents or Caregivers of Children Under 19

## **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

This program is available to families with children. There must be children in the home under the age of 19. This program may cover the children and their parents who live together. Or, if the children are living with other relatives or legal guardians this program may cover the children and the other relatives or legal guardians.

To be eligible, a household member must be a Kansas resident and a U.S. citizen or a qualifying alien. Verification of citizenship and identity is required. See the <u>Citizenship and Identity Requirements</u> fact sheet for more information.

#### **RESOURCES**

The only resource considered is a trust fund owned by any of the household members. The income received from the trust will be considered.

#### **INCOME**

The earned and unearned income of the child and the adults they are living with must be considered. This includes wages, unemployment benefits, Social Security (except SSI), VA benefits, and child support to name a few. A \$90/month work expense deduction is allowed for each person with employment.

When you apply, list each person who is living in the home with you. The eligibility worker will decide who has to be counted in your household.

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#### **INCOME STANDARDS**

The monthly countable income will be compared to the income standard used for the cash assistance program (TAF) offered by Social and Rehabilitation Services (SRS). For example, the typical family of four may qualify if countable income is less than \$471 per month.

The income standard varies depending on your family size, where in the state your family lives, as well as if other people are living in the home with you.

If your family income exceeds the maximum income limit for this program, the children can then be considered for coverage under the children's only medical program (See <u>Medical Coverage for Children</u> fact sheet for additional information.)

Persons in Plan	Monthly Income
1	\$0-\$267
2	\$263-\$352
3	\$349-\$429
4	\$421-\$497

<sup>\*</sup>Add \$61 for each additional person

# **COOPERATION WITH CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT (CSE)**

Parents and caretakers approved for the family medical program are required to cooperate with SRS Child Support Enforcement (CSE) to obtain child support for the children in the home. If you are afraid to seek child support because there is a fear that the absent parent will harm you or the child, you should tell your eligibility worker when you apply.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

To apply for medical coverage for children, pregnant women, or families with children, you may get an application through any of the following choices:

- Call the HealthWave Clearinghouse at 1-800-792-4884 to request an application.
- Applications are available from any SRS office or SRS access point, see <a href="http://srskansas.org/locations.htm">http://srskansas.org/locations.htm</a> for a list of offices and access points.
- Family medical applications can be downloaded in 10 different languages from <u>www.kansashealthwave.org</u>

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